

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Levine et al.**

Serial No.: **10/675,721**

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For: **Method and Apparatus to
Autonomically Select Instructions for
Selective Counting**

§ Group Art Unit: **2191**

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§ Examiner: **Vo, Ted T.**

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Preliminary to the continued examination of the above identified, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.